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THE AMERICAN'S CREED.

I believe in the United States of America as a government of the people, by the people, for the people, whose just powers are derived from the consent of the governed; a democracy in a republic, a sovereign Nation of many sovereign States; a perfect Union, one and inseparable, established upon those principles of freedom, equality, justice, and humanity for which American patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes. I therefore believe it is my duty to my country to love it; to support its Constitution; to obey its laws; to respect its flag; and to defend it against all enemies.

BIG JOB GOING WELL.

CONSIDERING the kind of weather we have in Fairmont, it is remarkable to say the least that Major Boyle can come here from New York and find work on the construction of the new brass plant and the various housing projects in such condition that he was able to talk the way he did Saturday.

With a less resourceful contractor than the Ley company it could not have been done, and whether the people of Fairmont know it or not they owe a debt of gratitude to this energetic organization for the way they have kept the wheels turning steadily and the work going ahead in accordance with the schedule in spite of weather, transportation and other delays of that kind. When the Ley people came here they brought a reputation for getting things done that was quite notable, but the men they sent here to carry on the Fairmont job have added a few laurels to an already good name.

Right here on top of the big job it is hard to realize what great progress has been made on it during weather that has made a lot of us stay indoors part of the time and curtail routine activities considerably. Major Boyle, who sees it only at intervals, is in better position to judge the progress that is being made, and it is doubly reassuring therefore to have him say that the whole project is progressing very satisfactorily.

His statement regarding the date upon which the brass mill will begin work is also very reassuring and satisfactory and it ought to have the effect of encouraging Fairmont citizens to hasten preparations for the coming of this important new factor in the business and social life of the city.

SPECIAL SESSION PITFALLS.

DOWN in Charleston where the possible course of the coming special session of the West Virginia legislature is a live topic of conversation, they have come to the conclusion that the high cost of living is going to furnish the most interesting feature of the session. And that is a pretty good guess. The ratification of the suffrage amendment and the passage of laws which will make possible the participation of West Virginia women in the primary and general elections is as nearly certain as anything can well be, but there are many ways in which efforts to remedy the high cost of living may give rise to situations which would hopelessly tangle up the law makers, and they will do well to be extremely wary when they tackle this matter.

It is easy to imagine that there was a mischievous twinkle in Governor Cornwell's eye when he inserted the high cost item in the call for the law makers. He is a good governor, and therefore would rejoice in the success of any movement which would lighten the burden which the people of West Virginia are laboring under. But he is

RUFF STUFF

Even when you have a stand in it is dangerous to boast about it.

And when you merely think you have it is simply disastrous.

Gamboliers who do not want to be deprived of large chunks of their roll might reverse the usual process and require hotel keepers who rent rooms for Sunday night sessions to give security that they will get their coin sack if there's a raid.

Down Huntington way yesterday a roll of bills saved the life of a man who was fired upon by highwaymen.

A good sized bank roll can ward off a lot of things besides bullets.

But the trouble is that most of us cannot carry that kind of life preservers.

It was a school teacher who fell for that Kentucky bigamist.

When little Dan Cupid winks a roguish eye at 'em they are all alike—even the school marm and the blue stockings.

The bolsheviks are lining up on the border of Poland and western Europe is having another fit.

That's all right for Europe, but—
What we would like to know on this

also a good Democrat and he probably would not care a hoot if the Republican legislature in its anxiety to provide real remedies were to get tangled up in troubles of its own making.

One thing the leaders of the majority in the legislature should remember is that they cannot reduce the high cost of living nor stop profiteering by legislative fiat. If they decide upon a program for curbing these evils they must also provide methods for getting the new acts enforced. Observant citizens learned during the war period that local authorities in this state are not provided with self starters. It is a waste of time to pass laws against profiteering, for instance, and then expect the prosecuting attorneys in the several counties to enforce them. Even the people in whose interest the laws are passed will, if past experience is a safe guide, refuse to take the initiative.

MISSIONARY ACTIVITIES.

FROM the beginning women have kept the light of the missionary cause in the world burning. They have done a lot of the work in the foreign and home fields; they have supplied a great deal of the funds and they have marshaled and trained the boys and girls as they came up in the churches so that they became systematic supporters of the cause, and that is a much more important contribution than it usually is regarded as being. They have even done some of the planning of the great missionary campaigns, but along that line they have not in the past done as much as they will do in the future.

We are impelled to make this prediction by the way of Prayer services last Friday, a rather full account of this city, as evidenced by the showing made at the Day of Prayer services last Friday, a rather full account of which was printed in The West Virginian of Saturday. Women learned during the war that they are capable of much bigger things than they had been accustomed to undertake and now they are making that knowledge count in some of the old familiar fields. The progress made by the City Missionary Union in this city since its organization is a case in point.

These women are going at the various missionary problems in the most practical way. They are going to get many things done that would not have been thought possible in the old days. But what is perhaps more important right at this time than an increase in accomplishment is the increase in missionary interest which is going to follow their efforts in all the Fairmont congregations affiliated with the movement. It is bromide to say that churches grow spiritually and in other ways in accordance with their missionary zeal and activities, but it is none the less true. If it gets the kind of encouragement that it should have the City Missionary Union is going to become a very important factor in the life of this community.

Charles M. Schwab, who probably knows what he is talking about, says that the return of the railroads is going to be an aid to prosperity in this country. Prosperity in the Schwab mind of course means a return to normal purchases of steel by the roads, and it must be conceded that this will help a lot. And there is another aspect of it if the little hints that have been coming out of Philadelphia from time to time amount to anything. The Pennsylvania railroad is reorganizing to get on what General Atterbury, the vice president of the road in charge of operations, calls a military efficiency basis. They are going after business as they never did before and they are going to get freight over the road. Every one who is at all familiar with the railroad history of the country knows what that means. It means that the other great systems of the east will have to dig in too, or go broke, and it is a safe guess that most of them will at least make the attempt to dig in. And that will be the best thing for the business world that has happened in many months.

Sam Gompers may not be as radical as some other labor leaders, but events have proved time after time that when it comes to foresightedness he has a distinct advantage over any other labor leader of prominence in this country. That fact lends considerable weight to a warning against the new United Labor political party which Gompers recently wrote in a letter to a man in Indiana. Gompers said: "The effect of a separate political labor party can only be disastrous to the wage earners of our country and to the interests of all forward looking people. The votes that would go to a labor candidate would, in the absence of any such candidate, go to the best man in the field. In no case would they go to an enemy of labor." And that is a pretty clear statement of the case as it applies to the labor movement.

Anti-Saloon League leaders deny Senator Warren's estimate that it will cost \$50,000,000 a year to enforce the prohibition laws. They say that the fines collected will more than cover what it does cost. And they might add that the raising of the economic condition of the people of the country will more than compensate for whatever it does cost to keep the country dry.

The memorial service held here yesterday under the auspices of the American Legion, at which the French certificates of honor were presented to the next of kin of men who lost their lives in the service, were most impressive and in every way a credit to the members of Fred Heintzelman post.

MRS. ROSALIE CARDER.

Mrs. Rosalie Carder, aged 26, a highly respected woman of this community died yesterday evening at eleven o'clock at her home on Newton street after a two weeks illness with influenza.

Mrs. Carder was born at Mt. Harmony in the year 1897 and was a daughter of Nelson and Eliza Riggs Merrifield. Forty-one years ago she was married to Linsey Moran and to the union were born the following children: Mrs. H. D. Legge, of Norfolk, Va., Miss Anne, who resides at home and Ruth who died in infancy. Mr. Moran died in October 1888. Twenty-eight years ago Mrs. Carder married to Homer L. Carder and one son, Albert D. Carder was born to them. She is survived by three brothers, (K)mball, Clark and Albert Merrifield all of Fairmont.

The deceased was a splendid Christian woman and was prominently identified with church work and was a consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

FUNERAL OF HARRY WERNER.

Harry Orvil Werner, aged 6 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Werner, died Saturday night at 9:30 o'clock at the home of his parents on Maple avenue after an illness with scarlet fever. Harry was a bright, lovable little boy and was a favorite with all who knew him. He is survived by his parents and one sister Helen. The funeral took place this morning and burial was made in Woodlawn cemetery by Undertaker R. C. Jones.

Mrs. June Boggess Dies in Philippi

A message announcing the death of Mrs. June Boggess, wife of Rev. Wheeler Boggess, which took place at Philippi on Friday has been received. Colds contracted in India where she spent many years with her husband who was a missionary to the country developed into tuberculosis and after years of invalidism she died on Friday. Mrs. Boggess was a well known devotee of the Baptist denomination. Mrs. Boggess was a daughter of the Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Davis of Harrisville and the body was taken there yesterday for burial. Both Rev. and Mrs. Boggess were well known in this city.

FUNERAL OF G. C. ROBERTSON.

The funeral of George C. Robertson whose death took place on Friday evening at his home near this city took place yesterday afternoon from the residence and burial was made in Woodlawn cemetery by Undertaker Musgrave and Son.

OUTBURSTS OF EVERETT TRUE

(BY CONDO)



HERE, TAKE YOUR TRAY AND RETIRE TO THE FOOT OF THE LINE WHERE YOU BELONG AND DON'T TRY TO ROOT IN AHEAD OF YOUR TURN!! THIS IS A CAFETERIA COUNTER, NOT A HOG TROUGH!!!



Editorial Comment on Current Subjects

AN UNFORTUNATE CASE.

From the Wheeling Intelligencer.
The Fairmont West Virginian calls attention to a fourteen-year-old girl being held by the federal court as a witness in the Marion county jail, in which institution she is the only woman. It would seem that the officials of the federal court could find some better method of detaining necessary witnesses than to place them in jail amid demoralizing, if not absolutely evil surroundings. Provision ought to be made for cases of this kind. Innocent witnesses should not be subjected to hardship, and should not be compelled to spend weeks, and perhaps months, under conditions that are certain to be injurious physically, mentally and morally.

THAT "RAINY DAY."

From China, Glass and Lamps.
President Elliott C. McDougal, Bank of Buffalo, recently sent to business houses and wage earners a greeting that is worthy of serious consideration. "Constantly rising prices, with low production, cannot continue. Collapse is sure to come and cannot be far off," he says. "Do not delude yourselves, let no one delude you, into the belief that the present era of high wages, with easy jobs; of high prices, with large and easy profits, can continue. Every wage earner should at once commence to save part of his earnings for the inevitable rainy day."



Children Love Jersey Pancakes

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The Jersey Cereal Food Co., Corral, Pa. Makers of the Famous Jersey Corn Flakes—the kind that stay crisp in milk.

form of labor—earth excavation—a day's work averages four cubic yards at \$4 a day, whereas before the war \$1.50 to \$2.50 per day was paid and the workman averaged 15 cubic yards of excavation. Labor began to shrink when, as we entered the war, the government began to employ labor, directly or indirectly, in war work—in the cost-plus contracts. The government, by its methods as an employer, really encouraged laxity in labor, and all labor through example became demoralized. This did not stop with the armistice and will not stop until the government goes out of business altogether. The forces have been cut down, but there are still hundreds of thousands of excess government employees. But the fact that many men have been dropped from government work is having its effect, and we hear of some reports of voluntary increased efficiency among workers.

the World to which organization the deceased belonged attended the funeral in a body.

FUNERAL OF LORENZA HARRIS.

Lorenza Harris, of Idamay, died on Saturday of pneumonia. He is survived by a wife and several children who reside in Georgia. The body was interred today in Maple Grove cemetery by Undertaker R. L. Cunningham.

INFLUENZA

Many Cases Aggravated by Constipated Condition.

The easiest point of attack for the influenza germs is through the intestines. The germ enters the body through the nose or mouth and is carried to the bowels where it enters the system in the poisonous matter that is constantly fed into the blood when constipation exists.

Leslie Winemiller Buried at Woodlawn

Funeral services over the body of Leslie Winemiller whose death took place on Saturday morning were held this afternoon from the residence on Virginia avenue and were conducted by the Rev. C. E. Goodwin. Following the services the body was interred in Woodlawn cemetery. A special trolley was run from the residence to the corner of Madison street and Pennsylvania avenue. The Woodmen of

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Spring's Own Charm in MADGE EVANS HATS For Little Girls

Smart little tailored hats just like those worn by this popular little star. And autographed by Madge Evans herself! Real Spring Hats! Just exactly the sort of hats that mothers of little daughters desire—and little daughters dream of for themselves.

They are just as smart as can be. They are as carefully and tastefully styled as the nicest hats that little Madge wears in her plays. And they are especially suitable and becoming to little girls; for they are created by specialists in the designing of hats becoming to youthful faces and appropriate for youthful needs. Be sure you will find in this charming collection the hat that make your little girl look "her very sweetest." There is a variety of models of fine Milan straw trimmed with silk grosgrain, appropriate for both school and Sunday wear—and all most moderately priced!

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